

## **REMARKS**

Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.

By the foregoing amendment, claims 10 and 15 have been amended. No new matter has been added. The claims are supported fully by the specification as filed, for example they are supported at least by Figures 1-4, 14b, 14d, 14e, and 18a and pages 7-12, 27-29, 31, and 39-40 of the written description. Claims 10-29 are currently pending in the application and subject to examination.

### **I. Allowable Subject Matter**

The Applicants thank the Examiner for the allowance of claims 20-29 and for indicating that claims 10-19 include allowable subject matter, and would be allowable if rewritten to overcome the rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 101.

### **II. Information Disclosure Statement**

The Applicants respectfully request that the Information Disclosure Statements filed on October 11, 2007 and on February 21, 2008 be considered. Copies of the previously submitted Information Disclosure Statements are included with this response. At the time that each IDS was filed, any required fees were requested to be charged to Deposit Account No. 01-2300. If any fee is required at this time, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 01-2300, referencing Atty Docket No. 026880-00034. Please charge any fee deficiency as needed to ensure consideration of the disclosed information.

### **III. 35 U.S.C. § 101**

Claims 10-19 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 101 as not being tied to a statutory class to which the process is tied. Claims 10 and 15 have been amended responsive to this rejection. If any further amendment is requirement in order to overcome the rejection, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned representative.

### **CONCLUSION**

For all of the above reasons, it is respectfully submitted that the claims now pending patentability distinguish the present invention from the cited references. Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections and an issuance of a Notice of Allowance are earnestly solicited.

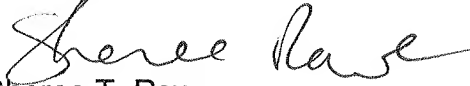
Should the Examiner determine that any further action is necessary to place this application into better form, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned representative at the number listed below.

In the event this paper is not considered to be timely filed, the Applicants hereby petition for an appropriate extension of time. The fee for this extension may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 01-2300. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment associated with

this communication to Deposit Account No. 01-2300, with reference to Attorney  
Docket No. 026880-00034.

Respectfully submitted,

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